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## **Oklahoma Crop Weather**

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Weekly Summary for March 25-31

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Most of Oklahoma received less than a half inch of rainfall with the exception of the Northeast Central and East Central districts, which recorded 0.72 of an inch. According to OCS Mesonet, drought conditions were rated 2 percent abnormally dry to exceptional, up 1 point from the previous week. Statewide, temperatures averaged in the low 50's, with the lowest recording of 18 degrees at Beaver on March 31st. The highest temperature was 87 degrees recorded at Arnett on March 28th. Topsoil and subsoil moisture conditions were rated mostly adequate to short. There were 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork.

**Small Grains:** Winter wheat jointing reached 42 percent, down 3 points from the previous year and down 9 points from normal. Canola blooming reached 15 percent, unchanged from the previous year. Rye jointing reached 35 percent, down 2 points from the previous year and down 10 points from normal. Oats jointing reached 16 percent, down 1 point from the previous year but up 3 points from normal.

**Pasture and Livestock:** Pasture and range condition was rated at 82 percent good to fair. Livestock condition was rated at 89 percent good to fair.

#### Soil Moisture Conditions by Percent

For Week Ending March 31, 2019

Moisture Rating	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	
Topsoil				
Very Short	10	16	37	
Short	20	20	23	
Adequate	60	45	37	
Surplus	10	19	3	
Subsoil				
Very Short	13	14	37	
Short	17	24	27	
Adequate	55	41	35	
Surplus	15	21	1	

#### Crop Progress by Percent

For Week Ending March 31, 2019

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	One Year Ago	Five Year Average
Wheat	Joiniting	42	28	45	51
Canola	Blooming	15	10	15	18
Rye	Jointing	35	26	37	45
Oats	Jointing	16	13	17	13

#### Crop Conditions by Percent For Week Ending March 31, 2019

Commodity	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Wheat	1	3	27	57	12
Rye	0	1	58	36	5
Oats	0	4	34	57	5
Canola	0	4	35	56	5
Livestock	0	5	26	63	6
Pasture and Range	3	12	35	47	3

**Weather for Week Ending:** Temperatures ranged from 18 degrees at Beaver on Sunday, March 31st to 87 degrees at Arnett on Thursday, March 28th. Precipitation ranged from 0.05 of an inch in the Panhandle to 0.72 of an inch in the Northeast district. Soil temperature averages ranged from 45 degrees at Weatherford on Sunday, March 31st to 65 degrees at Tipton on Friday, March 29th.

### Mesonet Temperature and Precipitation Data

	Temperature			Precipitation			
Districts	High Low		Low Average	Current Week	March 1, 2019 to March 31, 2019		
		Low			Total	Departure from Normal	Percent of Normal
		degrees		inches	inches	inches	percent
Panhandle	62	37	49	0.05	1.99	0.49	133
North Central	63	39	51	0.12	2.36	-0.27	90
Northeast	63	42	53	0.72	2.87	-0.69	81
West Central	63	40	52	0.16	2.86	0.57	125
Central	64	42	53	0.44	2.61	-0.55	83
East Central	66	44	54	0.72	3.07	-0.84	78
Southwest	65	42	54	0.09	2.03	-0.31	87
South Central	67	45	56	0.09	2.48	-0.96	72
Southeast	67	44	55	0.18	3.12	-1.36	70

